Preamble.

Valid Registration of certain Births and Deaths.

## No. 4 of 1876.

An Ordinance to provide for the validity of the registration of certain Births and Deaths made by Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi and Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe, respectively.

WHEREAS by the Ordinance No. 18 of 1867, intituled "An Ordinance relating to the registration of Births and Deaths," it is provided that the Registrar-General, the provincial registrars, and the district registrars of marriages shall also respectively be and act as Registrar-General, provincial and district registrars of births and deaths; and that the division of each province of this island into districts for the registry of marriages shall also form the division for the registry of births and deaths: And whereas provision is further made by the said Ordinance for the registration by district registrars of births and deaths occurring within the several districts respectively: And whereas Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi was appointed registrar of births and deaths for the town and gravets of Negombo, and after his decease Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe was appointed such registrar in his place: And whereas each of them, the said Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi and Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe, on divers occasions, owing to inadvertence, acted as registrar of births and deaths which occurred out of his jurisdiction (to wit), in the Dásiya pattu and the Dúnagaha pattu, situate in Alutkúra kóralé in the district of Negombo, Western Province, and did register as such registrar divers of such births and deaths: And whereas it is expedient to remove all doubts as to the validity and sufficiency for all purposes of such registration, notwithstanding such irregularity as aforesaid: It is hereby enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

- Irregular registration of births and deaths by the said persons declared valid.
- 1 The registration of all births and deaths which have occurred in the said Dásiya pattu and Dúnagaha pattu, and have been registered either by the said Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi or the said Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe, shall be as valid and effectual for all purposes intended by or relating to or connected with the provisions of the said Ordinance No. 18 of 1867, as if the said Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi and the said Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe had been respectively duly appointed registrars of the district wherein the said Dásiya pattu and Dúnagaha pattu are situate, at the respective dates of such registration.
- 2 It shall be the duty of the Registrar-General to remove from the registers of births and deaths kept for the town and gravets of Negombo all the entries therein of the said births and deaths so irregularly registered as aforesaid, and to cause the same to be inserted in the registers for the said districts of Dásiya pattu and Dúnagaha pattu respectively.

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No other defect cured in such registration. 3 Nothing herein contained shall give any validity to the registration of the said births and deaths so irregularly registered as aforesaid, except so far as relates to defects thereof caused by the non-appointment of the said Asan Lebbe Mohammadu Tambi and the said Kasi Lebbe Usubu Lebbe to act as registrars respectively for the said districts of Dásiya pattu and Dúnagaha pattu.

11th October, 1876.